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**Lee Township
Regular Board Meeting
Minutes**

February 11, 2008

The regular meeting of the Lee Township Board was called to order at 7:35pm at the Lee Township hall, 877 56th Street, Pullman, Michigan.

Members present: Trustee Black, Treasurer Lowery, Supervisor Schlack and Clerk King.
Members absent: Trustee Christensen.

Board Comments: Supervisor Schlack stated that Commissioner Jessup would not be at the meeting this evening, but handouts were available. Supervisor Schlack made an announcement that the Fennville Library has been passing out literature concerning the proposal that was accepted by the Lee Township Board during last months regular meeting. This information is not quite accurate and correct informational sheets will be prepared and given to the Fennville Library to distribute. Clerk King stated that there was a good turnout to January's election.

Citizen's Comments: Two citizens had comments. The first citizen commented on the purchase of the property on 56th. Questions were risen concerning the rush to purchase property, wouldn't it be better to have a consultant look over the property that the township already owns to see if it could be utilized. Why couldn't the possible new station be placed using the current location with the use of the connecting property. Second citizen to comment asked about the election workers wages.

Motion was made by Black and seconded by Lowery to accept the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 14, 2008 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to accept the minutes from the Special Meeting of January 28, 2008 as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Motion was made by Black and seconded by King to receive the Treasurer's report as presented. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Deputies Report: During the month of January there were 93 calls with 42 handled by township deputies. Of these calls, there were 6 traffic violations, 9 warrant arrest, 5 breaking and entering, 5 larceny, 7 domestic disputes, 1 stolen vehicle and 1 criminal sexual contact.

Fire Department Report: During the month of January, there were 8 calls. The furnace from Station 2 was replaced. The recall regarding truck 41 could not be taken to Spencers. It must be certified freightliner. The closest location is in Grand Rapids. Chief DeWeerd requested that a notice be published to request volunteer firefighters for the daytime shift. The evening shifts are covered, but daytime volunteers are needed.

Motion was made by King and seconded by Black to publish a request for daytime volunteer fire fighters. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Building Inspector's Report: Total improvements for the month of January, were \$124,000.00. Total permits issued: 4 building permits, 2 mechanical permits, 1 plumbing permit and 1 electrical permit.

Cemetery Report: No report.

Library Report: No report.

Ambulance Report: No report.

Transfer Station Report: Total money collected for January was \$238.00 with 9 coupons redeemed.

Lake Board Report: No report

First Responders Report: A. Rawson was unable to attend, but left his report. Clerk King read the First Responder's report. During the month of January there were 22 calls. Also during the month, there were 6 residents that completed training with 5 taking and passing their test. The final student was unable to test with the others due to family hardship, but will take the test in the near future. Karen Adams, Ray Adams, and Becky Rawson received their MFR license.

Newsletter Committee: The next meeting will be held on February 16th at 10:00am to go over content with the finalization meeting to be held February 23rd at 10:00am.

Assessor's Report: The Board of Review dates were set. The March Board of Review will be meeting on March 10th, 11th, 12th, 14th. These dates are tentative and evening hours are still to be determined.

Motion was made by Lowery and seconded by Black to authorize the Clerk to publish the March Board of Review notices. All voted "Aye". Motion carries.

Holiday Committee: Clerk King read the report, which gave a special thank you to Ray Russell for his donation of holiday items.

Clean Team Report: The Clean Team has set the dates for this year's clean up. The dates were sent to all the board members. They will be placed in the newsletter as well as on the website. The dates will be posted in the office and hall.

No OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Waiver of 4% Penalty – Property Tax

Motion was made by Black and seconded by King to waive the 4% late fee on property taxes paid by February 29, 2008. Roll vote was taken: Yes- Black, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Approval to subsidize Library Card renewal fee: Discussion on the procedure for helping residents with the annual renewal fee from the Fennville Library. The Federal Poverty Guidelines that were already adopted by the board in a previous meeting will be used to determine the eligibility. An application will be formed to give to the Fennville Library. The library will have residents fill out and provide the necessary documents to show eligibility. Approval will be done at the library and a statement and documentation will be sent to the township with invoice for payment of those renewal fees. This assistance will be for only 1 card per family. The fee for additional cards will be the responsibility of the resident.

Motion was made by King and seconded by Black to approve the payment of 1 library card per family providing that they qualify under the Federal Poverty Guidelines, which were adopted previously by township. This assistance will not cover additional cards. Any additional cards will be the responsibility of the resident. Roll call vote was taken: Yes – Black, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Publishing Board of Review and Annual Meeting Notices

Board of Review notice was approved previously.

Motion was made by King and seconded by Black to authorize the publishing of the annual meeting notice and meeting of the electors to be held last Saturday of March. Roll call vote was taken: Yes- Black, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Payment of the Bills:

Motion was made by Schack and seconded by Lowery to authorize payment of the bills in the amount as presented. Roll call vote was taken: Yes- Black, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Motion was made by King and seconded by Lowery to authorize the payment of wages to the election workers from the January 15, 2008 election. Roll call vote was taken: Yes- Black, Lowery, Schlack and King. Motion carries.

Citizen's Comment: Two citizens commented on the Federal Poverty Guidelines and a complaint on the snowplowing, due to the back door of the Fire Department being closed in with snow.

Correspondence: None.

Adjournment at 8:20pm.

Minutes submitted by: Jacquelyn Ann King, Clerk